Women and Hallaween

Belmont House
Cancelled n.v.

Trivialization of the profound

1. Hallaween → all Hallais Eve.
   a. Evening before feast of all Saints (not just those canonized)
   b. History of church's view re. saints.
      Informal - local decision
      1. first - martyrs (women as well as men.
         (agatha, Lucy, Cecilia, etc) Catacombs
      2. Then - confessors (monthly) (4th century)
      3. Not until 12th century did the church officially begin to investigate cause.
         a. heroic life (example)
         b. miracles - after death } devils advocate
      4. canonized saints a small number of those actually saints (perfection - in union with god while alive.) (union of mind, heart, will.)
   c. trivialization - of those (not think about) -
   d. Trivialization of those actually canonized.
      1. Eg. St. Thérèse of Lisieux
         a. little flower - sentimental
         b. partly her fault - but man - a socialization or reduction. - she was extremely tough / ascetical - all / union
         c. eg. / new Catholic p 557-8 / p 577 } new analysis

E. witches
   1. The graves opened before all saints day - wandering of ghosts - not at rest, not at peace.
   2. History of witchcraft
      1. Ref. medieval England:
         "a person who has experience with the devil to consult with him as to do some act"
      2. 14-15 century (covens) used to meet 4 times a year (Hallaween was 1) - new. as a turning point

3. 16th - 17th centuries

A Persecution of witches began in Alps (by Dominicans)

a. Malleus Maleficarum (The witches Hammer)

by Heinrich Kramer & James Sprenger - "inquisitor"

H. in Gods Image

p. 208-9 — association of witchcraft with women

(beginning of witchcraft)

B. large number of women burned. p. 215 H. in Gods Image

last in 1793 (heresy - protestantism p. 518

C. Superstition → eg's.

1. connection with Walpurgis Night — p. 519

2. known) lying.

2. today

a. investigation - 1) children. grow up - (mistreatment) - treated birth.

collect money for charity. nervousness with humour.

2) adults - old mistreated - diseases nuns, priests.

b. stereotypes - both witches & saints

1. How break out - ?

2 get inside - existential (meaning)

eg. a) Mary

b) read lives, original names, of saints.